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**FACULTY SENATE
NOVEMBER 11, 1991
1443**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Call for Press Identification.
2. Comments from Provost Marlin.
3. Committee reports from Academic Program Review, Strategic Planning, and Student Outcomes.

CALENDAR

4. 511 Request from University Calendar Committee to approve Academic Calendars for Academic Years 1993 through 1996. Motion was passed to docket in regular order (#446). See Appendix A.
5. 512 Request from Professor Crownfield to approve the following amendment to the Quirk motion: "In support of UNI's strategic objective of increased diversity, which is furthered by the presence of out-of-state students, and in view of the fact that out-of-state students essentially provide in tuition the cost of their own education, the Senate recommends that the proposed enrollment cap not be applied to out-of-state students." Motion was passed to docket in regular order, Calendar #512, Docket #447.

DOCKET

6. 510 445 Request from Senator Quirk to Seek Authorization for Enrollment Cap. See Senate minutes #1442. Approved.
7. 509 444 Request from Senator John Longnecker to approve "Enrollment Growth Control" recommendations. See Senate minutes #1441. All recommendations defeated.

The Faculty Senate was called to order at 3:30 p.m. in the Board Room of Gilchrist Hall, by Chairperson Longnecker.

Present: Edward Amend, Leander Brown, Phyllis Conklin, Kay Davis, David Duncan, Reginald Green, Bill Henderson, Randall Krieg, Roger Kueter, John Longnecker, Barbara Lounsberry, Charles Quirk, Ernest Raiklin, Erwin Richter, Ron Roberts, Nick Teig, Marc Yoder, ex-officio.

Alternates: Kate Martin/Patrick Wilkinson

Absent: Robert Decker

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The Chair called for press identification, at which time representatives from the Waterloo Courier, Northern Iowan, and KUNI identified themselves.
2. Comments from Provost Marlin.

Provost Marlin stated her comments at upcoming Senate meetings will focus on the budget situation and stated the administration will be devoting much effort toward support of the Regents' recommendation for funding.

She distributed a brochure which had been handed out to all parents for Parents Weekend, to further public awareness of our budget and enrollment situation. The brochure, in addition to demonstrating the enrollment growth UNI has experienced since the enrollment cap was lifted in 1989, also shows how critical UNI is to the state's well being. It further details the potential consequences of the budget in regard to educational quality, facilities, etc.

Provost Marlin encouraged Senators to share this information with their colleagues. She stated it is vital that the legislators and governor hear from constituents concerned with the funding of higher education. She stated it is both very important and necessary to express our concern for the future of the university, not as employees but as concerned citizens.

The Chair concurred with Provost Marlin stating that in his visits with legislators regarding university concerns, they indicated there had been very little input from individual faculty members.

Senator Henderson questioned how student groups were addressing these issues. Provost Marlin indicated the students have been working on the tuition issue, but when a decision has been made on that at the November Board meeting, she anticipates that they will devote more time to these issues. She indicated the administration would be working to support their efforts.

Senator Quirk questioned Provost Marlin as to the outcome of the graduate recruiting trip to New Orleans. Provost Marlin stated that UNI was well represented. She indicated that although there is great competition in recruiting due to the large number of universities present, that due to the commitment of the people involved, the trip proved to be successful. She further stated that the commitment on the part of Dr. Somervill in continuing this effort and meeting the needs of the students once they are here has in turn helped these very students to be our best recruiters.

3. Committee Updates
 - A. Academic Program Review

Herb Safford, chair, indicated the committee had met again with very good discussions. He stated the Committee on Academic Program review continues to discuss appropriate data, including generation and collection of data, to satisfy the requirements now being levied on academic departments. He expressed the hope that management of data for the academic sector would be assigned to a party who would have clear responsibility for data collection, structure, dissemination, and related issues. He stated he was working with Paul Butler-Nalin in this effort, with the eventual goal of having a program to generate this information routinely.

He stated the Academic Affairs Council has raised the issue of how such programs such as interdisciplinary programs will be brought into the program review process.

In conclusion, he stated the three committees (Academic Program Review, Strategic Planning and Student Outcomes Assessment) continue working toward one goal rather than three diverse goals.

B. Strategic Planning

Jim MacMillan, chair, indicated the committee had met once since last Senate meeting. He reported that the Committee had finished their planning assumption and this had been sent to the Deans. He stated a December 17 deadline has been given for the Deans to respond on past planning assumption and also comment on this most recent planning assumption sent to them.

He stated the committee is currently looking at past strategic goals.

Provost Marlin reaffirmed that the committee would not be changing the goals, but rather rewording and clarifying them, to which MacMillan concurred.

C. Student Outcomes

Gene Lutz, chair, stated all departments have been contacted as to their progress. The committee has received three completed plans. There will be potentially less than five departments who may not meet the December deadline, but all are progressing satisfactorily.

4. 511 Request from University Calendar Committee to approve Academic Calendars for Academic Years 1993 through 1996.

Teig moved, Quirk seconded to docket in regular order.

The question was raised as to the changes in the academic calendars if Martin Luther King's birthday was included.

Registrar Patton responded with the following options:

- A. UNI works with a minimum of 75 instruction days. This compares with the other two Regents universities as follows:

University of Iowa	Fall 76 days	Spring 74 days
Iowa State University	Fall 74 days	Spring 73 days
University of Iowa	Fall 76 days	Spring 75 days

Both University of Iowa and Iowa State University observe Martin Luther King's birthday. Registrar Patton indicated if UNI observes Martin Luther King's birthday, the number of instruction days in Spring semester could be dropped to 74.

- B. Observe Martin Luther King's birthday on that Monday, but not begin class instruction until 4 p.m. that day.
- C. Monday of Spring final exam week be considered an instruction day, with finals being given Tuesday through Friday of that week.

The Chair stated these options should be discussed and recommendations brought forth at the next meeting.

Motion was passed to docket in regular order (#446). See Appendix A.

5. 510 445 Request from Senator Quirk to seek Authorization for Enrollment Cap. See Senate minutes #1441.

At this time Chair Longnecker relinquished the chair for the remainder of the meeting to Vice-Chair Lounsberry.

Professor Crownfield proposed Quirk's motion be amended as follows: "In support of UNI's strategic objective of increased diversity, which is furthered by the presence of out-of-state students, and in view of the fact that out-of-state students essentially provide in tuition the cost of their own education, the Senate recommends that the proposed enrollment cap not be applied to out-of-state students."

Longnecker indicated the possibility of this being considered as a separate docket for the next Senate meeting because of its substantive nature.

Senator Roberts moved to docket in regular order. Henderson opposed docketing in regular order, since the proposal seems to be part of an enrollment cap and therefore should be part of a preliminary discussion.

Crownfield stated the more important issue was the need for an enrollment cap and does not want this proposed amendment to deter from a decision on the main issue of docket 445. He stated Quirk's motion was general regarding the enrollment cap and this could be considered as an implementation of such.

Senator Quirk inquired as to the time table involved, to allow for action on the enrollment cap motion.

Longnecker stated if the enrollment cap motion passes, it would not go before the Board of Regents until December; therefore, this matter would need to be voted on by the next Senate meeting, November 25, at the latest.

Quirk seconded the motion to docket Crownfield's proposal in regular order. Acting Vice Chair Lounsberry called for a division. On a division of the house, the motion was passed with 7 "yes", 5 "no" votes, and 2 abstentions, (Calendar #512, docket #447).

Quirk called for the question on his motion regarding seeking authorization to pursue enrollment cap (Docket #445). Motion passed.

6. 509 444 Request from Senator John Longnecker to approve "Enrollment Growth Control" recommendations. See Senate minutes 1441.

It was agreed by all Senators to address and vote on each of the three recommendations of Longnecker's proposal.

Recommendation 1:

Students who do not meet UNI admission requirements originally upon high school graduation must ordinarily have at least 30 transferrable semester hours at the required grade point average with core deficiencies (if any) addressed in their transfer course work.

Senator Kueter questioned whether this change from 24 to 30 transferrable hours as a requirement is necessary, with the possible implementation of an enrollment cap.

Paul Butler-Nalin stated there is no indication that enrollment at UNI will abate any time soon. He stated UNI's high desirability as an institution continues, and during the past enrollment cap students went elsewhere temporarily before transferring to UNI. He further stated that Longnecker's proposal is an effort to deal with the students currently here and how to address these issues.

Associate Director of Admissions Hendrickson stated incoming students directly from high school has increased every year for five years, with an increase of 1% just over the last three years. He also indicated the number of high school seniors is on the rise, with larger interest in UNI.

Senator Henderson expressed concern as to the effect this may have on special populations.

Hendrickson stated UNI currently has one of the highest transfer admission standards in the nation. He expressed concern for students who may undertake heavier loads in an effort to obtain 30 semester hours, and did not feel this was in the best interest of the student.

Registrar Patton stated more than 24 transferrable semester hours would be different than the other 2 Regents universities, and would also have NCAA repercussions.

Henderson called for the question on Recommendation 1, and Acting Chair Lounsberry ruled Recommendation 1 defeated.

Recommendation 2:

Any student who has a grade point deficiency of 10 or more of the number needed to have a 2.00 gpa (cumulative and/or UNI) will be placed on academic suspension.

Senator Duncan moved, Longnecker seconded to amend Recommendation 2 to read "12" rather than "10" grade points deficient.

The question on the motion to amend to "12" grade points deficient was called. Acting Chair Lounsberry called for a division. On a division of the house, the motion was defeated with 6 "yes" and 7 "no" votes. Recommendation 2 was then defeated.

Recommendation 3:

Request that the Faculty Senate create an ad hoc Honors Program Committee.

Senator Duncan stated he felt this would put more hardship on instructional faculty, to which Quirk concurred.

Senator Amend stated the current Presidential Scholars program is an outstanding one, and departments could initiate their own honors program if they wish.

The question was called on Recommendation 3, and Acting Chair Lounsberry ruled Recommendation 3 defeated.

There being no further business, Acting Chair Lounsberry ruled the meeting adjourned at 4:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Wallace
Secretary

These minutes shall stand approved as published unless corrections or protests are filed with the Secretary of the Senate within two weeks of this date, November 15, 1991.



TO: John Longnecker, Chair
University Faculty Senate

FROM: Philip L. Patton, Chair
University Calendar Committee

RE: Proposed Academic Calendars for 1993-94, 1994-95, 1995-96 and 1996-97

DATE: October 24, 1991

The University Calendar Committee requests Faculty Senate approval of the proposed academic calendars for 1993-97. The proposed calendars are consistent, with the exception of spring 1997, with the calendar guidelines approved by the Faculty Senate on May 6, 1985.

If you have any questions about this request, please contact me. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

University Calendar Committee:

Professor Marc Yoder, Faculty Chair
Mr. Ron Woodall, UNISA President
Dr. Marlene Strathe, Assistant Vice President Academic Affairs
Philip L. Patton, Registrar

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APPENDIX A

1993-94

Fall Semester 1993

August 23, Monday
August 23, Monday
September 6, Monday
October 16, Saturday
October 18, Monday
November 23, Tuesday
November 29, Monday
December 13-17, Monday-Friday
December 17, Friday
December 18, Saturday

Registration, 9AM - 4PM
Instruction Begins 4PM
Labor Day (Legal Holiday)
End first half semester, 12 Noon (39)*
Begin second half semester, 8AM (37)*
Thanksgiving vacation begins 10PM
Instruction resumes 8AM
Final Examinations
Semester Ends
Commencement

Spring Semester 1994

January 14, Friday
January 17, Monday
March 5, Saturday
March 7, Monday
March 19, Saturday
March 28, Monday
May 9-13, Monday-Friday
May 13, Friday
May 14, Saturday

Registration 9AM - 4PM
Instruction begins 8AM
End first half semester, 12 Noon (35)*
Begin second half semester, 8AM (40)*
Spring vacation begins
Instruction resumes, 8AM
Final Examinations
Semester Ends
Commencement

Summer Session 1994

June 3, Friday
June 6, Monday
July 1, Friday
July 4, Monday
July 5, Tuesday
July 29, Friday

Registration
Instruction begins
End first four weeks
Legal holiday
Begin second four weeks
End of session and Commencement

* Instructional days

1994-95

Fall Semester 1994

August 22, Monday
August 22, Monday
September 5, Monday
October 15, Saturday
October 17, Monday
November 22, Tuesday
November 28, Monday
December 12-16, Monday - Friday
December 16, Friday
December 17, Saturday

Registration, 9AM - 4PM
Instruction begins, 4PM
Labor Day (Legal holiday)
End first half semester, 12 Noon (39)*
Begin second half semester, 8AM (37)*
Begin Thanksgiving vacation, 10PM
Instruction resumes, 8AM
Final Examinations
Semester ends
Commencement

Spring Semester 1995

January 13, Friday
January 16, Monday
March 4, Saturday
March 6, Monday
March 18, Saturday
March 27, Monday
May 8-12, Monday - Friday
May 12, Friday
May 13, Saturday

Registration, 9AM - 4PM
Instruction begins, 8AM
First half semester ends, 12 Noon (35)*
Begin second half semester, 8AM (40)*
Begin Spring vacation
Instruction resumes, 8AM
Final Examinations
Semester Ends
Commencement

Summer Session 1995

June 2, Friday
June 5, Monday
June 30, Friday
July 3, Monday
July 4, Tuesday
July 28, Friday

Registration
Instruction begins
End first four weeks
Begin second four weeks
Legal holiday
End of Session and Commencement

* Instructional Days

APPENDIX A

1995-96

Fall Semester 1995

August 21, Monday
August 21, Monday
September 4, Monday
October 14, Saturday
October 16, Monday
November 21, Tuesday
November 27, Monday
December 11-15, Monday - Friday
December 15, Friday
December 16, Saturday

Registration 9AM - 4PM
Instruction begins, 4PM
Labor Day (Legal Holiday)
End first half semester, 12 Noon (39)*
Begin second half semester, 8AM (37)*
Thanksgiving vacation begins, 10PM
Instruction resumes, 8AM
Final Examinations
Semester ends
Commencement

Spring Semester 1996

January 12, Friday
January 15, Monday
March 2, Saturday
March 4, Monday
March 16, Saturday
March 25, Monday
May 6-10, Monday - Friday
May 10, Friday
May 11, Saturday

Registration, 9AM - 4PM
Instruction begins, 8AM
First half semester ends, 12 Noon (35)*
Begin second half semester, 8AM (40)*
Spring vacation begins
Instruction resumes, 8AM
Final Examinations
Semester ends
Commencement

Summer Session 1996

June 7, Friday
June 10, Monday
July 4, Thursday
July 5, Friday
July 8, Monday
August 2, Friday

Registration
Instruction begins
Legal Holiday
End first four weeks
Begin second four weeks
End of Session and Commencement

* Instructional Days

1996-97

Fall Semester 1996

August 26, Monday
August 26, Monday
September 2, Monday
October 19, Saturday
October 21, Monday
November 26, Tuesday
December 2, Monday
December 16-20, Monday - Friday
December 20, Friday
December 21, Saturday

Registration, 9AM - 4PM
Instruction begins, 4PM
Labor Day (Legal Holiday)
End first half semester, 12 Noon (39)*
Begin second half semester, 8AM (37)*
Thanksgiving vacation begins, 10PM
Instruction resumes, 8AM
Final Examinations
Semester ends
Commencement

Spring Semester 1997

January 10, Friday
January 13, Monday
March 1, Saturday
March 3, Monday
March 15, Saturday
March 24, Monday
May 5-9, Monday - Friday
May 9, Friday
May 10, Saturday

Registration, 9AM - 4PM
Instruction begins, 8AM
First half semester ends, 12 Noon (35)*
Begin second half semester, 8AM (40)*
Spring vacation begins
Instruction resumes, 8AM
Final Examinations
Semester ends
Commencement

Summer Session 1997

June 6, Friday
June 9, Monday
July 3, Thursday
July 4, Friday
July 7, Monday
August 1, Friday

Registration
Instruction begins
End first four weeks
Legal Holiday
Begin second four weeks
End of Session and Commencement

* Instructional Days

APPENDIX A

CLASS MEETING DAYS

Instructions - excludes registration, holidays, and final exam days

<u>1993-94</u>						<u>1994-95</u>					
1st Semester						1st Semester					
M	T	W	TH	F		M	T	W	TH	F	
August	*2	2	1	1	1	*2	2	2	1	1	
September	3	4	5	5	4	3	4	4	5	5	
October	4	4	4	4	5	5	4	4	4	4	
November	5	5	3	3	3	4	5	4	3	3	
December	1	1	2	2	2	1	1	1	2	2	
	15	16	15	15	15	15	16	15	15	15	
76 1st half 39 2nd half 37						76 1st half 39 2nd half 37					

*One evening class only

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2nd Semester						2nd Semester					
M	T	W	TH	F		M	T	W	TH	F	
January	3	2	2	2	2	3	3	2	2	2	
February	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	
March	3	4	4	4	3	3	3	4	4	4	
April	4	4	4	4	5	4	4	4	4	4	
May	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	
75 1st half 35 2nd half 40						75 1st half 35 2nd half 40					

CLASS MEETING DAYS

Instructions - excludes registration, holidays, and final exam days

<u>1995-96</u>						<u>1996-97</u>					
1st Semester						1st Semester					
M	T	W	TH	F		M	T	W	TH	F	
August	*2	2	2	2	1	*1	1	1	1	1	
September	3	4	4	4	5	4	4	4	4	4	
October	5	5	4	4	4	4	5	5	5	4	
November	4	4	4	4	3	4	4	3	3	4	
December	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	
	15	16	15	15	15	15	16	15	15	15	
76 1st half 39 2nd half 37						76 1st half 39 2nd half 37					

*One evening class only

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2nd Semester						2nd Semester					
M	T	W	TH	F		M	T	W	TH	F	
January	3	3	3	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	
February	4	4	4	5	4	4	4	4	4	4	
March	3	3	3	3	4	4	3	3	3	3	
April	5	5	4	4	4	4	5	5	4	4	
May	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	
	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	
75 1st half 35 2nd half 40						75 1st half 35 2nd half 40					